

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Modest Khovaylo	Examiner:	Houshang Safaipoor
Serial No.:	09/935,113	Group Art Unit:	2622
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Title:	Scanner Having a Document Cover with a Flap Door Hinged Thereto		

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Please enter the following Response to Examiner's Reasons for Allowance.
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AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's deposit account no. 08-2025.

**REMARKS**

In the Examiner's reasons for allowance, the Examiner states (portions omitted for brevity):

The instant invention recites a scanner comprising: a platen supported by a housing, said platen

The features identified, in combination with other claim limitations, are neither suggested nor discussed by the prior art of record.

Applicant agrees that the art of record does not teach or suggest the recited limitations. The Examiner, however, did not cite limitations from all of the claims, and only cited portions of some of the claims. Further, the recited limitations do not appear in all of the independent claims. Applicant submits that no words or terms should be "read into" a claim based on the statements of the Examiner. Instead, the present claims are allowable for at least the reason that the art of record does not teach or suggest all of the limitations of the claims as actually recited in the claims themselves. Applicant therefore respectfully asserts that the scope of each claim as allowed is to be determined from the actual claim language, including all equivalents.

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Respectfully submitted,

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